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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Masao Fukuda, et al.  
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For: PACKAGING MACHINE  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to the first Office Action in the above-referenced application which is being submitted simultaneously herewith as a divisional of application Serial No. 09/372,009 filed August 11, 1999, now pending, please amend the application as follows:

**IN THE DRAWINGS:**

Please amend Figs. 8 and 10 as shown in red on the accompanying photocopy, the changes comprising adding descriptive words --air pressure source--, --regulator--, --air cylinder-- and --CHUTE--. Formal drawings incorporating the changes as approved will be submitted after a notice of allowance is received.